

Apart from the above a Concept Note was sent to the Planning Commission recommending Rs. 76.50 crore for the revival of Tourism in Andaman & Nicobar Islands on the basis of which special outlay has been allocated for Andaman & Nicobar Islands by the Planning Commission.

Setting up of Indian Institute of Hotel Management

850. DR. M.A.M. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government propose to set up more Indian Institutes of Hotel Management;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Central Government also propose to strengthen the existing institutes; and

(d) if so, the estimated cost of setting up of new institutes and strengthening the existing institutes?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Ministry of Tourism provides grant-in-aid to cover capital expenditure relating to the setting up of Institutes of Hotel Management (IHMs). The Ministry has sanctioned grant-in-aid during 2006-07 for setting up of new institutes at Silvassa in the Union Territory of Dadra and Nagar Haveli and another at Boothgarh, Mohali in the State of Punjab.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The budget provision for the scheme which *inter alia* provides for setting up of new Institutes of Hotel Management (IHMs) and strengthening of the existing ones is Rs. 50.00 crores for the year 2007-08.

Financial assistance by World Bank and ADB for development of tourism in Delhi

851. SHRI JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether financial assistance has been provided by World Bank and ADB for development of the tourism sector particularly in Delhi during the last three years;